enrolling 16.5 lakh persons. Rajasthan has organized 'Mahila Shikshan Shivirs' under which women are imparted literacy in specially set up camps for 15 days duration. Nearly 17,000 such camps have been organized since the last three years benefiting nearly 4.28 lakh women. In Karnataka, a programme called 'Kalike Galike' *i.e.* 'Earn While You Learn' has been implemented covering 4.22 lakh women.

(c) No, Sir. The enrolment of children in the age-group of 6-14 years is increasing as evident from the table given below:—

(*In million*)

Year	Primary (Grades I-V)	Upper Primary (Grades VI-VIII)
1999-2000	113.6	42.1
2000-2001	113.8	42.8
2001-2002	113.9	44.8
2002-2003	122.4	46.9
2003-2004	128.3	48.7
2004-2005	131.7	51.6

(d) The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, a national programme to universalize elementary education in a time bound manner, is being implemented in the country. Under this programme, several interventions such as opening of new schools, setting up of Education Guarantee Scheme Centres and Alternative & Innovative Education facilities, provision of incentives, focus on education of girls and weaker sections of the society and improvement in quality of education in schools, have been undertaken to enhance enrolment of children in the 6—14 years age-group.

Inquiry into irregular practices in CIEFL

49. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an inquiry committee was set up to look into the alleged irregular practices in the Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages;

(b) if so, whether the Committee has submitted its report;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the action taken by Government thereon;

(e) whether it is also a fact that despite the inquiry report, the selection process is on; and

(f) if so, the remedial steps initiated by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) to (f) Do not arise.

Development of Central universities on the pattern of IITs

50. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have planned to develop Central universities on the pattern of IITs in the country; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor and the necessary steps being taken by Government to make the above arrangements in all universities for choosing IIT by the poor educated youths in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (d) While the IITs function under the Institutes of Technology Act, the Central Universities function under the respective Acts with multiple disciplines. The focus of IITs is primarily to provide for instruction and research in the branches of engineering and technology. There is no proposal to develop Central universities on the pattern of IITs.

Suggestion of NKC

51. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Knowledge Commission has suggested setting up of 50 national universities in the country to improve and expand the higher education system; and